IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

THOMAS MCBRIDE : CIVIL ACTION : NO 10-5737

Plaintiff

:

VS.

AMERICAN SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROFESSIONALS, INC., et al.,

:

Defendants

## FIRST SCHEDULING ORDER

AND NOW, this 26th day of August, 2011, following an initial pretrial conference with counsel for the parties, and pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16, Local Rule of Civil Procedure 16.1(b), and § 2:01 of the Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. All attorneys appearing before Judge Robreno must be registered on ECF. All official filings submitted to the Clerk of Court must be filed directly by the attorney on to ECF. All orders, opinions, and other docket entries generated from chambers will likewise be filed directly on to ECF. Notice of these chamber entries will be communicated to counsel either by ECF or ordinary mail.
- 2. All parties shall complete their initial disclosures pursuant to § 4:01 of the Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan by **September 26, 2011**;

- 3. Any motions for leave to amend the pleadings and any motions for leave to join other parties shall be filed by September 26, 2011;1
- 4. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2), experts' identities and their reports (including any curricula vitae) shall be disclosed by **November 24, 2011** Response experts' identities and their reports (including any curricula vitae) shall be disclosed by **December 23, 2011**;
- 5. All discovery shall be completed by January 23, 2012;
- 6. Any motions for summary judgment shall be filed by **January 23**, **2012**. Responses to any motions for summary judgment shall be filed by **February 7**, **2012**. Replies to any responses to motions for summary judgment shall be filed by **February 22**, **2012**;
- 7. In the event a motion for summary judgment is filed, pre-trial deadlines set forth in the following paragraphs are suspended until further order of the Court.

<sup>1.</sup> All requests for action by the Court shall be by motion, see Fed. R. Civ. P. 7(b), except for routine requests, which may be by letter to the Court with copies to all parties, indicating in such a letter whether the other parties consent to the request. Reply briefs shall not be filed for motions of any nature without prior leave of Court. A copy of the proposed reply brief limited to the issues raised in the response shall be attached whenever leave is requested.

- 8. Pretrial memoranda pursuant to Local Rule of Civil Procedure 16.1(c); proposed voir dire questions, jury instructions, special interrogatories, and verdict forms for a jury trial (or proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law for a non-jury trial); and any motions in limine shall be filed by February 7, 2012;
- 9. The case shall be placed in the trial pool on February 22, 2012, or, if a motion for summary judgment is filed, 30 days from the disposition of the motion. Once placed in the trial pool, a case may be called to trial upon 24 hours' notice to counsel;
- 10. If agreeable to both parties, counsel for plaintiff shall telephone Chambers to schedule a settlement conference with a Magistrate Judge; and
- 11. Plaintiff's counsel shall advise the Court promptly of settlement of the case.

## AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Eduardo C. Robreno

EDUARDO C. ROBRENO, J.

<sup>2.</sup> Each proposed jury instruction should be numbered, should appear on a separate page, and should include citations to the authorities supporting the proposed instruction.